[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2640, June 18, 1960]

AN ACT TO CREATE A PUBLIC CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE VETERANS FEDERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, DEFINING ITS POWERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The following persons, to wit: Emilio Aguinaldo, of Association de los Veteranos de la Revolution; Margarito Torralba of the AFP Retired Veterans Association (AFREVA); Lorenzo B. Cabrera of the Confederation of Filipino Veterans (CONVETS) ; Teodoro V. Kalaw of the Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor; Fausto S. Alberto of the ECLGA Veterans Association; Enrique C. Rimando of the FAIT Veterans Legion; Francisco L. Gonzalez of the Filipino Disabled Veterans Association; Basilia M. Baja of the Gold Star Mothers and United War Widows and Orphans Association of the Philippines; Simeon C. Medalla of the Hunters ROTC Association; Antonio F. Garcia of the Magsaysay Veterans Legion; Dionisio V. Ojeda of the PEFTOK Veterans Association; Primitivo Lovina of the Philippine National Guard Veterans Legion; Jose V. Andrada of the Philippine Naval Veterans Legion; Jaime Piopongco of the Philippine Veterans Legion; Sofia L. Prudenciado of the Philippine Association of War Widows, Parents, and Orphans; Eugenio B. Recto of the United Disabled Veterans Association of the Philippines; and Gaudencio Antonino of the USAFIP NL and their associates and successors are hereby created a body corporate, under the control and supervision of the Secretary of National Defense, under the name, style and title of "Veterans Federation of the Philippines," hereinafter-referred to as the Federation. The principal office of the Federation shall be in the City of Manila, Philippines.

SEC. 2. The said Federation shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued; to hold such real and personal property as shall be necessary for its purposes, and to receive real and personal property by gift, devise or bequest; to invest its funds for the exclusive benefit of the veterans of the Philippines; to extend, within its capabilities, all necessary assistance, and operate such enterprises as may further the material or moral well-being of veterans; to adopt a seal, and to alter or destroy the same at pleasure; to have offices and conduct its business and affairs in the City of Manila and/or provinces, cities, municipalities and barrios of the Philippines and to amend said laws, regulations and rules; to establish and operate branches of its office anywhere in the Philippines; to publish a magazine and/or other publications; and generally, to do all such acts and things as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Act and to promote the purposes of said Federation.

Any action or decision of the Federation or of the Supreme Council shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of National Defense.